AMENDMENT

In the Claims

Please substitute the following amended claims 1-3 and 5 for those presently pending in the application.

SUB (3D)

1. (Amended) A method for producing a compressed video bitstream that includes compressed video data for a plurality of frames from data that specifies a single still image, the method comprising the steps of:

5   fetching the data for the still image;

encoding the data for the still image into data for an intra ("I") frame;

storing the encoded I frame data;

assembling the compressed video bitstream by appropriately

10   combining data for:

at least a single copy of the stored I frame;

at least one null frame; and

various headers required for decodability of the compressed video bitstream;

15 whereby decoding of the compressed video bitstream produces frames of video which produce images that do not appear to pulse visually.

2.   (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein:

the assembled compressed video bitstream is decodable in accordance with the MPEG-1 standard; and

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the various headers assembled into the compressed video

5 bitstream include:

a sequence_header beginning the compressed video

bitstream;

at a beginning of group of pictures, a group_start_code;

for each encoded frame, a picture_start_code; and

10 a sequence_end_code ending the compressed video

bitstream.

3. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein:

the assembled compressed video bitstream is decodable in

accordance with the MPEG-2 standard; and

the various headers assembled into the compressed video

5 bitstream include:

a sequence_header beginning the compressed video

bitstream;

for each encoded frame:

a picture_header; and

10 a picture_coding_extension; and

a sequence_end_code ending the compressed video

bitstream.

5. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein null frames

assembled into the compressed video bitstream also include

bitstream stuffing whereby the compressed video bitstream is

transmittable at a pre-established bitrate.

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5   Please add the following new claims 6 and 7 to those presently
pending in the application.

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6.   (New)   The method of claim 1 wherein the various
headers assembled into the compressed video bitstream include:

    a sequence_header beginning the compressed video
bitstream;

5   at a beginning of group of pictures, a group_start_code;

    for each encoded frame, a picture_start_code; and

    a sequence_end_code ending the compressed video
bitstream.

7.   (New)   The method of claim 1 wherein the various
headers assembled into the compressed video bitstream include:

    a sequence_header beginning the compressed video
bitstream;

5   for each encoded frame:

        a picture_header; and

        a picture_coding_extension; and

    a sequence_end_code ending the compressed video
bitstream.

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